

State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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September 22, 2009

Certified Return Receipt 7003 2260 0002 0247 8577

Michael Doherty Northwestern Bank 625 South Garfield Avenue P. O. Box 809 Traverse City, Michigan 49685-0809

Subject: Exhibit A—Sight Draft, and Exhibit B to Letter of Credit; Aurora Oil and Gas Corporation;

Vipont Mine; S/003/0035; Box Elder County, Utah

Dear Mr. Doherty:

Enclosed with this letter, please find Exhibit A—Sight Draft and Exhibit B associated with letter of credit 512060. These are being sent in response to a voice message from Frederick Bimber and a subsequent telephone conversation with Mr. Bimber indicating the Division needed to send both of these documents at the same time and that they should be dated the same.

As stated in our letter to William Green dated July 30, 2009, the Division anticipates that payment of the full amount of the letter of credit, \$18,600.00, will be made by delivery of certified funds payable to the State of Utah within two days following your receipt of the enclosed exhibits. Payment should be sent to the above address by a next day delivery. The Division will hold the funds as surety to be used for reclamation of the Vipont Quarry pending a forfeiture action to be filed before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Please advise me if additional information is needed. I can be reached by telephone at 801-538-5261 or by e mail at paulbaker@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

Minerals Program Manager

PBB:pb

Enclosure: Exhibit A and B to LOC 512060

cc:

Steve Alder

Aurora O&G Corp

Stephen B. Grow, Warner Norcross & Judd LLP, 900 Fifth Third Center, 111 Lyon St. NW, Grand Rapids, MI O:\M003-BoxElder\S0030035-Vipont\final\ltr-doherty-09222009.doc



EXHIBIT A – SIGHT DRAFT To Letter of Credit Number 512060

September 22, 2009 Date Traverse City, Grand Traverse County City, County

512060 Letter of Credit No.

PAY TO THE ORDER OF: <u>Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining</u>

Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred U.S. Dollars

To:

Northwestern Bank 625 Garfield Avenue P.O. Box 809 Traverse City, MI 49685-0809

> Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

Authorized Signature

EXHIBIT B

To Letter of Credit Number 512060

I, John R. Baza a duly authorized representative of the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, hereby certify that (1) the drawing in the amount of \$18,600.00, by sight draft accompanying this certificate, under Letter of Credit No. 512060 dated December 1, 2006 issued by you is permitted under the provision of the Letter of Credit, (2) the Letter of Credit has neither expired nor terminated pursuant to its terms, (3) the amount of the sight draft, together with any amounts previously drawn under the Letter of Credit, does not exceed the Face Amount, and (4) the amount to be drawn is necessary to assure or complete reclamation of the Vipont Mine (name of the mining project), number \$\frac{S/003/035}{0}\$ (permit number) in accordance with applicable law.

State of Utah Department of Natural Resources The Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

Authorized Signature

The Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

Date September 22, 2009